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- Sir: Transmitted herewith for filing is the patent application of:

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A MULTICAST COMMUNICATION METHOD

Enclosed are:										
X	Sheets of Drawings									
X	This application is being filed without an executed Declaration.									
X	Priority is claimed from Japanese Application No. 2000-100901 filed April 3, 2000 A certified copy is attached herewith.									
X	Copies of the disclosure documents listed on the attached PTO 1449 form and discussed in the specification or discussed in the specification of discussed in the specification o									
	A verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27.									
X	Specification: Abstract X, Description 36 pages; and 6 claim(s).									
	Preliminary Amendment.									
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